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Friday 13th October 2017

Dear Parents/Carers,

A message from the Headteacher

Congratulations to the children from our Reception class who were presented to the parish on Sunday 1st October 2017. It was a very special occasion and it was lovely to see so many families there. Many thanks to Father Mark who presided over the celebration. The children have had a fantastic 'Tracksuits and Trainers' day where they have had the opportunity to participate in a variety of sports and activities. Again, thank you to all the staff for their support and in particular, Mrs Curtis for organising today.

It was good to see so many of you at last week's maths workshop led by Mr Grattidge. I hope you found it useful and informative. Year 2 really enjoyed their visit to Derby County yesterday keeping fit, finding all about the football clubs history and having lunch in the stadium. Their behaviour also, was magnificent.

Finally, we raised a superb **£283.36** from our MacMillan coffee afternoon which is just brilliant. Your generosity will go a long way to supporting this vital cause. Please can you also send in any outstanding sponsorship money next week - so far we have managed to fund trips for Year 1 and Year 2.

Congratulations to **Isaac, Bella, Isobel, Milo, Shamika, Macie and Luke** who are this weeks 'Best Work' recipients. Magnificent!

Mission Accomplished

A BIG well done to the following students: **Millie, Cullen, Nina, Sam, Erin, Malakai, Tiyanna, Tumelo, Cheryl, Alex, Tillena, Mafara, Rihanna and Tiffany** who have been recognised by their class teachers for being shining examples this week. I look forward to having lunch with them on Monday.

House Point Winners

A BIG well done, to '**Courage**' who are the winning House Team this week.

Next week the winning team for this half term will have a half day treat as a reward for their efforts.

Pen Licence

A BIG well done to **Teagan and Joel** in Year 6 who are the proud recipients of their 'Pen Licence' We are very proud of your beautiful handwriting and presentation. Richly deserved!

Attendance Winners

A BIG well done to **Year 1** who are this weeks' attendance winners. Super work!

Football Results -

St John Fisher 7 - 1 Asterdale (agg)

St John Fisher put in a commanding performance last week as they convincingly beat a spirited and enthusiastic Asterdale team. With attacking threat all over the pitch the team looked dangerous every time they came forward. Eddie Henry opened the scoring and from that point on the result was never in doubt. The goals were spread amongst the team with Tom, Kwabena, Brodie, Mazin and Harry all finding the net. A great performance.

Wyndham 0 - 3 St John Fisher (agg)

The school football team were victorious in their away match against Wyndham Primary School, winning 3-0 to consolidate their position at the top of the league. Ryszard Hebda, Scarlett Howe, Theo Doyle and Luke Claxton played their part in an impressive defensive display, whilst Mazin Seif-Eldin (2) and Thomas Astle provided the goals. The opposition were well drilled, and our team were tested by some surging runs from Wyndham's attackers, however excellent communication and defensive responsibility from our side won the day. The team continue to show great sportsmanship and to grow as an outfit, and we look forward to seeing how they develop in the next game.

Rugby Result - St John Fisher 9 - 10 Cavendish Close

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The school rugby team performed superbly on Tuesday as they played Cavendish Close in a 'double header'. Both games were extremely tight as the score lines suggest and with a little more composure at key times we could have come away with the win, particularly in the second game. I was really impressed with the players skill levels but more importantly their attitudes and commitment to each other. We have a lot to be positive about and I am sure the first win is just around the corner. Well done team!

Holy Communion

The timetable for next year's First Holy Communion, which will be on Sunday 15th April 2018 has now been set. Please note that classes will begin in November, with a parent's meeting at 6.30pm on Wednesday 15th November 2017 in the parish hall.

Half Term

Just a quick reminder that school will closing on the evening of Thursday the 19th October 2017 and will re-open on Tuesday 31st October 2017.

Winter Uniform

Children are to wear their winter school uniform when we return after the half term break. Please refer to the home/school diary if you need any further clarification. Many thanks for your co-operation.

Goodbye

Next Wednesday (18th October 2017) we say goodbye to our Premises officer Jimmy. On behalf of everyone at St John Fisher we thank him for his support and work.

Double Yellow Lines

Please be aware that double yellow lines have been painted directly outside the school entrance. We have had reports that there will be a heightened presence from the city council in the next few days and they may issue penalty notices to any cars parked illegally. Please park sensibly and responsibly. Thank you.

Extra Curricular Clubs week beginning 16/10/2017

Monday - Y5/Y6 Football, KS1 Archery, Homework (lunch)
Premier Sports lunch club

Tuesday - Choir (lunch) Y2-Y6 Irish Dancing, Y4-Y6
Dodgeball, Premier Sports lunch club

Thursday - Y5/Y6 Netball, Y4-Y6 Street Dance, Rugby
match **away** against Roe Farm, Football match **home** against St James'

Friday - **NO RUGBY** - Inset day

Dates for your diary - up until October half term 2017

18th October - PTFA AGM Meeting @ 6:15pm

19th October - Harvest Mass - 9.30am

19th October - Pupils Break Up for Half Term

20th October - INSET DAY

30th October - INSET DAY

31st October - BACK TO SCHOOL

Advance notice

8th November - Parents afternoon/evening - further details to follow next week

9th November - Year 1 visit to 'Build a Bear'

A final thought

Never stop believing that you can make a difference

Have a lovely weekend,

Yours sincerely,

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